

REMARKS

Claims 1, 10, 12, 16 and 29 have been amended to resolve issues raised by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Also, the end of claim 29 has been amended to include a recitation like that at the end of claim 1.

Entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph

On page 2 of the Office Action, in paragraph 1, claims 1, 4-7, 9-17, 19 and 25-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

The Examiner indicates that the proviso at the end of claims 1 and 29 is vague because the excluding compound is not covered by the general formula I, and that the word “especially” is indefinite in claims 10, 12 and 16.

In response, Applicants have amended claims 1 and 29 to delete the proviso excluding the compound at issue, and Applicants have amended claims 10, 12 and 16 to delete the recitation of “especially”.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that the present claims satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim Identifier Issue

On page 2 of the office Action, in paragraph 2, the Examiner indicates that the identifier for claims 16, 30 and 50 should be “withdrawn”, not “previously presented”.

In response, Applicants have changed the identifier in view of the Examiner’s indication.

Anticipation Rejection

On page 2 of the Office Action, claim 29 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kaneko et al. (US 4,493,532).

In response, Applicants submit that the compounds disclosed by Kaneko et al. in US 4,493,532 do not have any polymerizable group.

This is in contrast to the compounds of the present invention, which have at least one polymerizable group.

Thus, the present invention is novel over US 4,493,532, and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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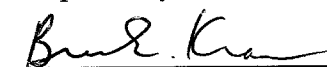
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